

It was narrated from Abu Hurayrah (may Allaah be pleased with him) that the Messenger of Allaah S (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said: "Do you know what gheebah (backbiting) is?" They said, "Allaah and His Messenger know best." He said, "Saying something about your brother that he dislikes." It was said, "What if what I say about my brother is true?" He said, "If what you say is true then you have backbitten about him, and if it is not true, then you have slandered him."

Narrated by Muslim, 2589

It was narrated that Ibn 'Abbaas said: The Messenger of Allaah (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) passed by two graves and said, "They are being punished, but they are not being punished for anything that was difficult to avoid. One of them used to walk about spreading malicious gossip (nameemah), and the other used not to take precautions to avoid getting urine on himself when he urinated." Then he called for a green branch, which he split in two and planted a piece on each grave, and said, "May their torment be reduced so long as these do not dry out."

Narrated by al-Bukhaari, 213; Muslim, 292

It was narrated that Abu Hurayrah (may Allaah be pleased with him) said: The Messenger of Allaah (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said: "Whoever has wronged his brother with regard to his honour or anything else, let him seek his forgiveness today, before there will be no dinar and no dirham, and if he has any good deeds to his credit they will be taken from him in a manner commensurate with the wrong he did, and if he has no good deeds, then some of his counterpart's bad deeds will be taken and added to his burden."

Narrated by al-Bukhaari, 2317